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## Subj: DISCONTINUANCE OF EARNINGS TYPE REG BAS (REGULAR BAS)

**Ref:** (a) <u>ALCOAST 569/04</u>

- (b) CG Pay Manual, COMDTINST M7220.29 (series), Chap. 3-B
- (c) Direct Access, Basic Allowance For Subsistence Procedural Guide

#### **Purpose**

This E-mail ALSPO announces the discontinuing of the Regular BAS entitlement description effective 1 January 2005.

#### **Discussion**

Direct Access Earnings Type REGBAS will no longer be available effective 1 January 2005. PSC has run a conversion program to change BAS entitlements for enlisted members. All enlisted members receiving Regular BAS on 12/31/04 will have their Regular BAS Stopped, and restarted under the Subsistence Entitlement Enlisted BAS (Earnings Type ENLBAS) effective 01/01/05. Valid Subsistence Entitlements or Earnings Type Descriptions are:

Earnings Types Descriptions of BAS	Amount (Effective 01/01/05)	Entitlement to	JUMPS Segment/Object
Descriptions of BAS	01/01/03)		Segment/Object Code
Officer (OFF BAS)	\$183.99 mo	All officers & warrant officers	24 (Object Code 1150)
Enlisted (ENL BAS)	\$267.18 mo	Enlisted members assigned to a duty station that does <u>not</u> have a government dining facility, and members assigned to a duty station that <u>does</u> have a government dining facility, but the member is <u>not</u> required to eat meals at the dining facility	24 (Object Code 1155D)
Enlisted minus Discount Meal Rate (DMR) (Earnings Type BASDMR)	\$267.18 mo minus \$7.55 day	<ol> <li>All enlisted members assigned to a ship with messing facilities, a Class "A" School, OCS (prior service), or to a deployed Port Security Unit</li> <li>Enlisted members <u>E-6 and below</u> stationed ashore who reside in government-owned quarters and are required to eat meals at a government dining facility</li> </ol>	24 (Object Code 1155D) 27 (Object Code D095)
Cadet COMRATS (Earnings Type CADETC)	\$6.35 day (Effective 10/1/04)	All Academy Cadets	28 (Object Code 1155A)
Reserve IDT COMRATS	Breakfast =\$1.78 Lunch = \$3.56 Dinner = \$3.56	Reserve IDT Entitlement	26 (Object Code 1155E)

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### SPO Procedures

There is no action for SPOs to take for members receiving Regular BAS on 12/31/04. This conversion will be completed by PSC. Members with a REGBAS row in Direct Access will have such row closed effective 12/31/04 and a row for ENLBAS will be opened effective 01/01/05.

In the Direct Access Entitlements Section, Earnings Type REGBAS will no longer be available when a start date of 01/01/05 or later is entered.

### Permanent Change of Station (PCS) Entitlements

There are certain BAS auto stoppages which occur in conjunction with PCS transactions, i.e.:

- If a member is departing a BASDMR unit, the departing PCS transaction:
  - (a) Stops the BASDMR row in Direct Access the day prior to departure PCS.
  - (b) Shuts down segment 27 the day prior to departure PCS.
  - (c) Keeps segment 24 running (because the member is entitled to ENLBAS while en route PCS).
- When a member reports PCS, the reporting PCS transaction:
  - (a) Stops the ENLBAS row in Direct Access, if there is one, the date of reporting PCS.
  - (b) Shuts down segment 24 the date of reporting PCS.

Upon reporting PCS, the SPO <u>must</u> open up a new BAS row in Direct Access effective the day <u>after</u> reporting PCS (for ENLBAS or BASDMR, as appropriate). It is imperative that the SPO input this transaction timely. It needs to be input <u>immediately after</u> the PCS reporting endorsement has been approved by the SPO supervisor.

Members who are PCS transferred from a BASDMR unit will be paid ENLBAS while en route through JUMPS segment 24. Such members however will not have an ENLBAS row in Direct Access for the en route period. The SPO should <u>not</u> attempt to build an ENLBAS row for the en route period.

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## Retroactive Entitlement to REGBAS (prior to 1/1/05)

Use the following procedures in Direct Access for retroactive Regular BAS Entitlements effective prior to 01/01/05:

- Open a row for REGBAS on the effective date of entitlement. (A start date of 12/31/04 or earlier must be selected.)
- Close the REGBAS row effective 12/31/04.
- Open a row for ENLBAS effective 01/01/05.

Reference (c) provides step-by-step procedures for managing BAS entitlements in Direct-Access.

## Reserve Orders Less than 140 days

In the Reserve Orders Transaction, BAS Entitlement Code of "R" (Regular BAS) will not be available for a start of 1 Jan 2005 or later. If however, an SPO needs to input short-term retroactive orders on a reserve member which begin prior to 1 Jan 2005, the BAS code of R will be available for usage. JUMPS will automatically convert the entitlement from R (REGBAS) to E (ENLBAS) effective 1 Jan 2005.

#### Questions

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